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Local Matters.

Natural History Society.

On Monday evening, the 22d inst., a meeting of the Natural History Society was held at the Museum on Touro street. The occasion was saddened by the recent death of Dr. Charles A. Siegfried, U. S. N., a prominent member of the Society, one of its council of management, and one of the most scientific men ever connected with it. In the absence of the president, the chair was occupied by the senior Vice President, Captain J. P. Cotton, who made fitting allusion to the severe loss which the Society had sustained, and read a series of resolutions of respect for Dr. Siegfried's memory. These were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

There were two lecturers that evening, the first of these being the Rev. Ernest J. Hansen, of Trinity Church, who read a paper descriptive of how some of our local fresh-water algae perform the process of reproduction by cell-division, or by the union of cells. The lecture was well illustrated by crayon sketches, and the subject, though somewhat abstruse, was ably handled. The Society is fortunate in having added so skillful a microscopist to its ranks.

The second lecturer was Dr. Henry W. Gillett, who described his recent visit to the ostrich farm near Jacksonville, Florida. Here he had ample opportunity to observe some of the peculiarities of these interesting birds, and to take several unusually successful photographs of these and of other birds raised there. Among them is the Australian emu which is said to be almost extinct in its native land like its congener, the moa of New Zealand. The Jacksonville farm, which in reality is a sort of experimental acclimating station, is a branch of the one in California, and the two are the only ones in the United States. Their progress is watched with interest, and their success seems very probable. Not only are the ostrich and the emu cultivated there, but also such useful birds as the Chinese mandarin duck, the Chinese golden pheasant, and the water turkey, a rare native of Florida itself. The work of this experimental farm is a part with that of the introduction of the Mongolian pheasant near Boston, or that of the U. S. Agricultural Department, which seeks to introduce tea culture, or the raising of exotic fruits among our people; a movement which is of direct national interest and deserving of success. Dr. Gillett's paper was exceedingly well written and commanded much attention, and the meeting was altogether a memorable one.

On Thursday evening next a rare treat will be in order for the residents of this city in the form of a lecture by Chaplain William G. Cassard, D. D., of the U. S. S. Constellation, who served on the battleship Indiana during the late war. The lecture will be given in the First Presbyterian Church at eight o'clock, the subject being "Through the War in the Battleship Indiana." There will be shown 70 or more beautiful stereoscopic views, made from Dr. Cassard's own negatives, illustrating all of the interesting scenes of the West India campaign, including the destruction of Cervera's fleet.

Rev. Charles E. Preston, who disappeared from Jamestown last October under circumstances which led to the belief that he had committed suicide, was arrested in Troy, N. Y., on Friday last by a private detective. When confronted by Mrs. Preston he admitted his identity and expressed his willingness to return to Taunton. The young woman with whom he had been living was one of his prisoners at Jamestown. After he had confessed his guilt and admitted sufficient grounds for divorce he was allowed to depart as the authorities had no desire to prosecute him.

The carefully doctored soldier hat is doomed. It has been the custom of the private soldiers at Fort Adams as well as at all the military posts to knock their campaign hats into all kinds of shapes at their pleasure, but an order from the war department says that the wearing of these hats in any other than their original shape is prohibited. The hats are supposed to be creased in Alpine style.

Miss Mildred Sampson entertained the "Rah, Rah, Rah" Club at the residence of her father on Broadway on Saturday last.

Court's Second Week.

Tiverton Central Baptist Church Case Attracts Attention.

The second week of the January session of the common pleas division of the supreme court opened at 11 o'clock on Monday, after adjournment from the previous Monday. In the case of the Central Baptist Church and Society vs. Gideon Manchester the motion of counsel for defense for a further continuance was denied and the case was marked for trial on Tuesday. Lafayette Dwyer, who had pleaded not guilty when arraigned on an indictment charging assault and battery on a street car conductor, retracted his plea and pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to three months in the Providence County jail. James Calhoun retracted his plea of not guilty of violation of a city ordinance and pleaded nolo. His case was continued.

In Hiram Murray vs. Timothy J. McDonald judgment was entered for plaintiff for \$76.92. Edward Mahoy of Tiverton retracted his plea of not guilty and pleaded nolo to a charge of assault and the sentence of the lower court was reaffirmed. He will have to pay a fine of \$20 and costs, amounting to \$47.20. Judgment for \$346 for the plaintiff was entered in the case of Benjamin Oman vs. J. A. G. Smith, defendant having defaulted. In the liquor cases against Timothy D. Sullivan, defendant withdrawing his plea of not guilty and pleaded nolo. He was ordered to pay the costs and the cases were continued during his good behavior.

On Tuesday there was a short session as the case marked for trial on that day was defaulted. In Albert H. Hayward vs. William T. Robinson judgment was entered for plaintiff for \$111.83 in default.

The case of the Central Baptist Church and Society vs. Gideon Manchester, which was in order for trial, was called, but defendant failed to respond. Mr. Pease stated on Monday that he would be obliged to withdraw from the case unless he could obtain a continuance, and Mr. Nolan also withdrew. After waiting ten minutes the court ordered the case defaulted and judgment was entered for plaintiff for possession, 10 cents damages and costs. "The suit was one of trespass and ejectment and the plaintiffs had a large array of witnesses in the court from Tiverton. The case involved the ownership of the 'Fort Point lot' near the bridge in Tiverton and it had been said that the defendant had been selling the land to liquor dealers, so the church desired to know what its status was in the matter. There has been previous litigation over the property and at least one not performed by 'right of night.'"

On Wednesday the attention of the court was devoted to the consideration of a block island case, that of Amos D. Ball et al. vs. Simon R. Ball. Previous to the consideration of this case, a default was entered in the case of George P. Lawton vs. the Newport Nursery Company, and judgment was ordered for plaintiff in the sum of \$5,429.68. The case of Ball vs. Ball was then called. Mr. Huddy appearing for plaintiff and Mr. Champlin for defendant. This is an appeal from the probate court of New Shoreham and concerns the validity of a will made by Simon R. Ball. The persons who witnessed the will were called to the stand and identified their signatures. The claim of the appellants, as outlined by Mr. Huddy, was to the effect that the will had never been executed by the testator, that he did not know its contents, that he was under undue influence, and that the signature was not his voluntary act. He said that the testator had suffered from two strokes of paralysis and from an operation for the removal of a cancer so that he was unable to see or read or write. He was twice married and had children by both wives, and at the time of his final illness was living with his second wife and her children. The property was left to the children of the second wife.

Mrs. Annandale DeGroth, the youngest of the children by the first wife, was called to the stand and told how the property was accumulated during her mother's life and with her assistance. She also told of the influence which the sons of the second marriage exercised over her father. She was corroborated by other witnesses who testified that the deceased had spoken to them of the manner in which he was being "prepared" during his last illness.

The case was given to the jury Thursday afternoon and after being out about an hour a verdict was rendered stating that the testator was in his sound mind when the will was drawn and that he was not unduly influenced.

Mr. G. D. Davis, the veteran editor of the Daily News, celebrated his 75th birthday on Sunday, when he received calls from several of his friends and fellow-workers in the newspaper field.

Mr. J. M. Hodgson, the well-known florist of Newport and New York, died very suddenly in the latter city early Thursday morning.

Budget Caused Trouble.

City Council Finds Difficulty in Fixing the Appropriation for the Year—A Busy Meeting.

A special meeting of the city council was held on Thursday evening for the purpose of passing the ordinance governing the appropriations for the year. The members did not appear to be in strict unanimity on the question and there was considerable talking done before the appropriations were finally fixed. The finance committee reported that they had not yet been able to make a report on the subject of funds exempt from taxation. The report stated that in the estimates of revenue for the year they have included the balance of the city funds on deposit with the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company on call at two per cent. interest, and submit herewith a resolution instructing the city treasurer to draw said deposit and the interest thereon from the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company and deposit the same with the current funds of the city. The ordinance for the assessment of the tax and for the appropriations of funds for the year were prepared and presented. The committee recommended that an overdraft of \$17,000 that was unprovided for be met by an appeal to the taxpayers for an issue of \$50,000 in bonds to be used as follows: \$25,000 to be repaid to the city treasury for land and partial construction of the bridge at Van Zandt avenue and \$10,000 to the city treasury for the construction of the engine house on Coggeshall avenue; \$1,500 to provide the money for the completion of the Van Zandt avenue bridge and its approaches; \$10,000 for the reconstruction of the main sewer outlet at Briggs' wharf; the balance of the proceeds of the sale of the bonds to be appropriated for the payment of the land damages and expenses of opening the new street adjoining Morton Park and the new boulevard connecting Washington street with the roads around Coddington Point.

A report was also read from the minority of the committee, which advocated bonding the debt of the city by issuing bonds sufficient to cover the deficit. An itemized list of permanent improvements that had been paid out of the regular appropriations was embodied in the report. The minority report as an amendment to the majority report was laid on the table by a vote of 9 to 6, and the committee report was received.

An ordinance was adopted providing for the assessment and collection of a tax of one per centum of the property valuation with \$51,000 for sinking fund and interest. The tax is to be assessed not later than May 15 and to be paid between July 1 and August 31. A motion to make the tax rate \$10 on each \$1000 was made but was withdrawn.

The list of appropriations as presented by the finance committee was as follows:

State Tax, Streets and Highways, including sewers,	\$61,250 00
Public Schools,	20,000 00
Watch and Police,	20,000 00
Fire Department,	20,000 00
Lighting Streets,	2,000 00
Salaries,	2,250 00
City Asylum,	4,000 00
Indigent and Vagrants,	1,500 00
Public Buildings,	1,500 00
Public Parks,	2,500 00
Books, Stationery and Printing,	1,000 00
Water Supply,	(600) 00
Health and Sanitation, including removal of refuse and other	12,000 00
Burial Grounds,	800 00
Ward Meetings,	1,000 00
Sinking Funds,	15,000 00
Compensated Interest,	4,000 00
Incubators,	500 00
New Engine House,	2,250 00
New City Hall,	6,500 00
Sidewalks,	2,000 00
	\$241,500 00

The ordinance concluded with "no city officer or committee shall incur any liability against the city, or make or cause any expenditure or payment out of the funds of the city, beyond or in excess of any appropriation herein before ordered, unless such liability, expenditure or payment shall be occasioned by the laws of the state or be specially authorized by vote of the City Council in conformity to the provisions of the ordinance relating to annual appropriations."

A motion to add the words "nor shall the city auditor approve, the finance committee pass, or the city treasurer pay, any claims for such liability," brought out the opinions of many of the members on the subject. The chairman of several committees objected that their appropriations for the year were smaller than was expended last year and said that the departments could not be run within the limit of the appropriations. The ordinance as amended was passed by the common council, but the board of aldermen non-concurred and the two branches went into joint convention for an informal discussion. Councilman Stevens explained the amendment and the reasons for it and said that any committee or department that could not live on its appropriation should appeal to the council for more money.

After the discussion on this topic the council in joint convention elected F. P. Lynch clerk of the committee on streets and highways and balloted for ten minutes for an assistant engineer of

the fire department for four years. There was no choice and the election was laid over to the February meeting. The candidates were D. J. Buckley, S. D. Oxx, J. Lawton and A. J. DeBlais.

After the two boards separated a committee of conference on the appropriations was called for and the common council finally agreed to concur in the aldermanic action.

A resolution was presented providing for the submission to the tax payers of a proposition to issue 20 year bonds for \$50,000. Several members objected on the ground that the amount proposed to be secured was not sufficient. After a discussion a motion to lay on the table until the March meeting was lost and a motion to lay on the table until the February meeting was adopted.

An ordinance was adopted increasing the fire department from seven to eight companies, the new company to be No. 3, with headquarters in the new engine house on Coggeshall avenue. A resolution was passed authorizing the committee on health and sanitation to contract with Richard Burns for the collection and removal of house offal at \$219 a month. The board of firewards was directed to have one blow struck on the fire alarm at 6 o'clock daily. The committee on streets and highways was directed to consider the underground trolley system and report the advisability of applying it to the Newport Street Railway. A resolution was passed authorizing the city treasurer to receive \$20,000 from Hon. William P. Sheffield for the fund for the Coddington professorship of natural science. A resolution was passed directing the city treasurer to withdraw from the Rhode Island Hospital Trust Company the special fund paid by the state for the session of Coasters Harbor Island to the government, and to deposit said sum and accrued interest to the credit of current expenses.

A motion to amend the city ordinances by striking out the clause providing for the election of bell ringers was referred to the committee on ordinances. The tax collector was authorized to sell three pieces of property for non-payment of taxes. A number of annual reports were received and an invitation to attend the Red Men's Trading Post was accepted.

Petitions for a sewer in Spring street between Narragansett avenue and Hammond street, for repairs to Cross street, and for the grading and curbing of Bradford avenue, were referred to the committee on streets and highways. Bonds of a number of city officers were received and approved. The police ordinance which was laid on the table by the last city council was presented anew and referred to the city solicitor.

The board of aldermen granted one plumber's license, one entertainment license, and referred one application for license for a boxing exhibition to the chief of police.

An ordinance was passed regarding sewer connections. The ordinance provides that any person desiring to connect with any main sewer shall first send written notice to the street commissioner, who shall furnish materials and make connections and charge a reasonable expense to the person for whom the connections are made. A penalty of \$20 is provided for violation of this ordinance.

Interesting Occasion.

On Thursday evening next, February 1st, Ocean Lodge, No. 7, A. O. U. W., will hold an open meeting in Mercury Hall. Grand Master Workman Hon. Nathan Cary, of Chicopee, Mass., will be present; also Orville Ward, of Boston, Grand Supervisor, Dr. Griswold, of Providence, Supervisor for Rhode Island, and others. The entertainment will consist of addresses by the grand officers, vocal and instrumental music, and a collation. The chairman of the Lodge Committee on entertainment is Geo. H. Pople and the secretary is Geo. L. Sutherland. The A. O. U. W. is one of the best of the fraternal insurance orders.

A Monument to Perry.

Congressmen Bull and Capron from this state have introduced and the committee has favorably reported a bill providing for the appropriation of \$25,000 for the erection of a monument at Put-in-Bay, Ohio, to the memory of Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry and the men who fell or participated in the naval battle of Lake Erie, fought near Put-in-Bay, Ohio, on the 10th day of September, 1813. The remains of the American dead were buried on what is now Put-in-Bay Island. A willow tree marks the spot and is all there is to commemorate the memory of these noble men and their valiant victory.

James A. Austin died after a long illness at the residence of his son, Mr. John R. Austin, on Thursday. Besides his son he leaves two daughters, Mrs. Howard R. Peckham and Mrs. Jethro J. Peckham.

Robert Burns' Anniversary.

Masonic Hall Crowded to the Doors on the Occasion of the Celebration by St. Andrew's Society.

A large crowd gathered at Masonic Hall Thursday evening on the occasion of the celebration by St. Andrew's Society of the anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns. The hall was filled to overflowing. The platform was artistically decorated with palms and potted plants. To the right were seated Rev. Geo. Whitefield Mead, Chaplain of the society; Hon. R. S. Franklin; Col. John R. Leslie, sub-master of the Rogers High School; Mr. Angus McLeod, ex-president of the society; Street Commissioner Hamilton; Mr. Dudley E. Campbell, principal of the Coddington school; and Mr. John Mason, president of the society, who presided over the musical and literary entertainment. He made a short address of welcome, reminding the people of the cause of the assembly.

Miss Curley was first introduced and sang in her usually sweet voice a number of selections, receiving a hearty encore. Her accompanist was Mrs. Marion G. Dowling. Mr. William Dick sang a number of baritone solos, and was heartily received, being accompanied by Prof. F. A. Fredericks. Miss Lillian Maher delighted the audience as an elocutionist, rendering her selections in a charming manner. She received many well deserved encores. Mrs. Florence Carley surprised her many friends by her sweet soprano voice, which was heard to good advantage, and she gives promise of being one of Newport's favorite soloists. She was enthusiastically applauded and was obliged to respond to an encore. Mr. Dudley E. Campbell gave an address on Robert Burns, which, by the applause he received, showed that his listeners were very appreciative. Miss Sadie Bailey and Mr. John McKay rendered several vocal duets and received a hearty welcome. Master Greene captivated the audience as a boy violinist and he won the hearts of the audience by the masterly execution of his selections. He responded to a number of well-deserved encores from his hearers. Rev. Mr. Mead gave an address, speaking of the life of Robert Burns and also of the Scotch people. He pleased the audience by his many humorous sayings, and at the close of his address received an enthusiastic applause as any of his predecessors. Messrs. Seabury, Hudson, Smith and Comerford rendered very pleasingly "Robin Adair" and received a hearty encore. Little Misses Melkie and Kyle handed each lady who took part in the concert a large bouquet as she left the stage. Just before the close of the concert all who had taken part joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne," the audience joining in. At the conclusion the floor was cleared for dancing. The grand march was formed, being led by Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Kyle, with nearly two hundred couples. Dancing was enjoyed until the small hours of the morning. The Harry K. Howard orchestra added their part to the evening's entertainment by the delightful programme of music rendered. Mr. P. J. Sullivan was the prompter and Mr. Simon Koselny the waiter.

St. Paul's Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

The annual communication of this lodge was held Thursday evening. The election was presided over and the officers installed by R. W. Walter. A. Presley, 5th District Deputy Grand Master, assisted by W. Charles P. Stone, as Grand Master of Ceremonies. The following is the list of officers:

W. M.—Edward G. Haywood.
S. W.—Charles T. Tisdall.
J. W.—F. Augustus Ward.
Treas.—Wm. J. Corbett.
Sec'y.—W. Thibault T. Boyce.
Chaplain.—R. C. Bachelier.
S. D.—Frederick Withers.
J. D.—William G. War Jr.
S. S.—W. R. Sanderson.
J. S.—Elmer F. Nickerson.
Marchant.—W. A. Ward.
Suffragan.—George Bowen.
Tyler.—George H. Lovejoy.

An elegant Past Master's Jewel was presented to the retiring Master, Frank W. Casler. The meeting closed with a fine collation served by Caterer Koselny.

The Monitor's Pilot.

Regarding the death of Lieutenant Samuel Howard, U. S. N., formerly of this city, which was mentioned in the Mercury of last week, the Washington Post of recent date says:

Lieut. Samuel Howard, U. S. N., the pilot and the last of the officers and crew who served on Ericsson's Monitor during her memorable engagement with the Confederate ironclad Merrimack, died yesterday morning at his home, 2207 M street. Last Tuesday, while returning from a walk, he fell upon the sidewalk in front of his house and

struck on his head. Concussion of the brain resulted, and he did not fully regain consciousness afterward.

Few men have had any more thrilling experiences than Lieut. Howard. For more than fifty years he traversed the seas and journeyed to almost every part of the world. He was born near Dublin, Ireland, seventy-nine years ago. At the age of sixteen he ran away from home to go to sea. His first voyage was to the Mediterranean. Several years later he came to America and located for a time at Newport, R. I., which place he always claimed as his home. He had a great fondness for the sea, however, and from Newport shipped to many distant ports. For a number of years prior to the civil war he was captain of a merchant vessel, which ran between New England ports and ports in Cuba and the West Indies. When the strife between the states broke out he offered his services to the Union, and was commissioned a lieutenant in the volunteer navy.

He was placed in command of the Neosho, a man-of-war, for a time, and did patrol service on the Lower Mississippi. The vessel was chiefly engaged in intercepting blockade runners and preventing the shipping of cotton from the Southern States. In this capacity he rendered very effective service, and was the hero of many exciting experiences, which he delighted to narrate when questioned as to his career.

Later he was transferred to the Amaranth as its acting master, and patrolled the Atlantic coast south of Norfolk. His vessel reached that port just in time to witness the destruction by the Confederate ironclad Merrimack of the Union frigates Congress and Cumberland. Then came the unique little monitor, a stranger upon the seas in those days. Many questioned her ability and feared that she would not be effective against the great Merrimack. Lieut. Howard, however, had great faith in the peculiar craft, and volunteered to pilot her through Hampton Roads. It was intended that she should engage the Merrimack and act as protector to the frigates Minnesota, Hancock and St. Lawrence. Captain Warden, afterward made admiral, was in command of the Monitor, and no small part of the success which she attained in the engagement with the Confederate monster was due to her pilot, Lieut. Howard. Captain Warden was wounded, and the command of the Monitor was turned over to Lieut. Greene, and the great Merrimack soon afterward withdrew, unable to make any impression upon the unique little craft. Lieut. Howard told a most thrilling story of the conflict.

At the close of the war he resigned from the navy and was given a commission as lieutenant in the revenue marine. He was stationed for a long time at New Orleans and for a number of years at Savannah, Mobile. During that time of this service he formed the acquaintance of the pilot of the Merrimack, an officer named Jack, who after the war entered the marine service also, and the two pilots, who figured so prominently in the most important naval engagement of the war of the rebellion, became fast friends. About ten years ago Lieut. Howard was placed on the waiting list and made his home in Washington. He was never afterward in active service. Up to the time that he met with the accident on Tuesday last he was in good health and full possession of his faculties.

The deceased was a member of Lincoln Post, G. A. R., of this city, and also of St. John's Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Newport, R. I. He leaves a daughter and a granddaughter, both of whom reside in this city. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at his late residence. The services will be in charge of the Grand Army and the Masonic bodies. Rev. Dr. Newman of the First Congregational Church, will officiate. Interment will be at Arlington.

Portsmouth

The yearly school census of the town, recently taken by Mr. Reston P. Manchester, shows an increase over last year's report of twenty-five children between the ages of five and fifteen years. The total number this year being three hundred and twenty-six, one hundred and ninety-six of whom are boys.

On Friday, January 26, Mr. William Parke Cook reached the age of one hundred and three years. Mr. Cook is in fairly good health.

The funeral of Mrs. Antoinette Carr, widow of Mr. Charles A. Carr, took place at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Parker H. Sherman, on Friday of last week. Rev. Henry W. M. Chase officiated. Of Mrs. Carr's six children five are now living. She also leaves children and grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Sherman of Newport, were at Mr. Stephen Sherman's on Sunday.

Mr. Harold C. Goodwin, son of conductor Goodwin of the electric railway, is a student at Dartmouth Medical College, who expects to graduate in March and has received, against many competitors, the appointment of intern at the Tewkesbury hospital, containing 2,000 patients.

At a recent photographic contest, in Worcester, the first prize, \$19 in gold, for the best amateur vocal and instrumental record; second prize, \$5 in gold, for the best talking record; and the third prize, one dozen Edison new process records, for the best whistling record, were all awarded to Mr. William M. Hughes, of South Portsmouth. The winning of the three prizes by the same person defers them from future amateur competition and places them in the professional class.

Mrs. George Peabody, who has been ill recently, is improving.

Mr. William Hughes and his daughter, Miss Hattie Hughes, attended the recent poultry show in Boston.

Letter carrier No. 1, Frank Manette, has presented his resignation, to take effect on February 1. Arthur A. Allyn, the substitute carrier, has also resigned, and C. Woodman Chase will be appointed to one of these situations for the present.

The Mercury.

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Saturday, January 27, 1900.

His Honor, William Gregory, will make a popular leader for the Republican ticket this spring. No better selection could be made.

The Mormon Candidate Roberts was on Thursday excluded from the National House of Representatives by the emphatic vote of 248 to 50.

The war in South Africa seems to make but little progress. It grows more and more evident each day that England has a gigantic contract on hand.

The armed forces are gathering at Kentucky's capital. One thousand mountaineers "armed with rifles" is the most report. It looks as though "this cruel war" is not yet over in that state.

Bryan is to speak in Providence today and a number of the faithful from here will go up to hear him. If he is not the next Democratic candidate for the Presidency, it will not be because he has not labored long and arduously for the office.

The General Assembly will commence its winter session on Tuesday next. There is probably not a great amount of business to be transacted at the present time, and after a few days' session, they will probably adjourn over till after the spring election.

A few years ago there was a great howling among the free traders at the wickedness of Congress in putting a tariff on the plate. At the present time there are 330 tin plate mills in the country, about as many as there are in England, while ten years ago all the tin plate used in this country was imported from Great Britain. These 330 mills have a capacity of 50 per cent, more than those in England, so that the output exceeds that of the Old Country. All this is the result of the tariff.

The question which is now agitating the great and General Court of Massachusetts is "Shall Roger Williams any longer stay banished from the Sacred Soil of the Bay State?" On October 19, 1895, they issued the edict sending the afamous Roger out of the state. In due time he sailed down the raging Sea, and, discovered Providence and concluding that the soil was good enough for him concluded to stay and start the State of Rhode Island, and now after some two hundred and sixty-five years the Massachusetts Assembly thinks that the original act of expulsion was somewhat hasty, that perhaps Roger was not as bad after all, and that they will let him come back if he wants to. The gentleman himself has not been heard from on the subject.

Gregory for Governor.

The pleasing announcement is made that Lieutenant Governor Gregory, of North Kingstown, will be a candidate for Governor at the coming state election. No better selection could be made, not one that will be more satisfactory to the people. Governor Gregory has served the State faithfully for the past three years in the capacity of Lieutenant Governor and his promotion to the highest office in the gift of the people is the direct line of civil service reform. He will receive the cordial and hearty support of the people in this County as well as the State at large and will make a candidate that cannot be beaten.

Lieutenant Governor William Gregory is emphatically a self-made man. He was born in Astoria, Long Island, in 1819. In 1852, the family moved to Connecticut, and in 1859 he came to Westerly, in this state. In 1878, at the age of 19, he left Westerly and went to Providence, where he secured a position as superintendent of a woolen mill. From there he went to Waterford, Mass., as superintendent of another woolen mill, and from there to Belleville, R. I., as agent for J. P. Campbell & Co., where he remained for several years. In 1875 he was married to Harriet Vaughan, of Wickford, R. I. In 1878 he accepted a position as agent of the Rhode Island Manufacturing Co., of Ansonia, Conn., and moved there. In 1880 he was called and accepted the position as general manager and agent of the A. T. Stewart Company of New York, and during that time he and his wife made their home in Glenham, N. Y. Later he returned to North Kingstown, where he lived the Chapman mill in the village of Wickford and started in business for himself.

His political career began as a Representative from his own town of North Kingstown in 1888 and he was returned four times. He was a Senator from 1891 to 1893 and was delegate to the Republican National Convention at Minneapolis. He was elected Lieutenant Governor in 1898 and again a year later.

In 1893 he was appointed Chairman of the committee to build the Town Hall in North Kingstown, in the village of Wickford, and the building was completed inside the appropriation. In 1898 he was appointed Chairman of the committee to build the Guild Hall in the village of Wickford. His home is in Wickford and he has a winter residence on Broadway in Providence. He is President and Director in the Wickford National Bank, director in the Union Trust Company, and a trustee in the Rhode Island Safe Deposit Company of Providence; Chairman of the Board of State Charities and Corrections of Rhode Island, a member of Franklin Lodge, No. 29, A. F. and A. M. of Westerly, and of the Central and Churchmen's Clubs of Providence. His business and political careers have been alike in the fact that in both he began at the foot of the ladder and climbed with the years.

DeBlois & Eldridge have rented Cottage No. 1 of the Pinard cottages, so called, to Mrs. J. A. Hayton of New York for the coming season.

1899 a Prosperous Year.

An exchange says this has been a most prosperous year in all lines of business, and the reports that are now being compiled furnish some very interesting information. During the twelve months, ending with the first day of this month, there have been 1,981 manufacturers who failed, as compared with 2,475 during the year before. That would not seem to indicate that Republicanism closes up the factories and ruins business. During the year there have been 7,100 traders who failed, while last year the number was 9,758. The banks have done well, too, and the failures this year have been but 52, compared with 85 last year. Exclusive of the banks, the aggregate number of failures for the twelve months is 9,700, and this is the smallest number recorded since 1887. In aggregate amount the failures were \$30,392,759, and that is the lowest it has been since 1881. There is some difference between that report and the one which was made in 1898. That year, when the whole nation was in an uproar, bordering on a panic, and the affairs of our country had reached a serious crisis, the aggregate of the failures was \$236,001,881. It is a magnificent triumph for the late Mr. Dingley, of Maine, the great statesman who was slandered. The New York "World" has always been one of the most bitter enemies of the Dingley Protective Tariff, and it is now very gratifying to the friends of decency that the paper has to eat its crow. After maintaining from the very first day of its passage that the Dingley law would not furnish sufficient remedy it predicted last July that by the end of 1899 we would have a deficit of \$45,000,000. Instead of that deficit we shall have millions in surplus, and it is still piling up. It has been a prosperous year.

War College for Army.

The present scope of the naval war college on Coasters Harbor Island may be enlarged by the detail of army officers as lecturers as well as those from the navy. Secretary Long of the Navy thinks that the value of the college will be much enhanced by such a change, and thinks that it will be of value to both army and navy. Many maneuvers depend for their successful execution upon cooperation of both branches of the service and during the Spanish war it was found that the army and navy could not work in perfect harmony because of the lack of understanding between them. Secretary Long has communicated with Secretary of War Root upon the matter, setting forth his views at some length.

An immediate effect of detailing army officers to lecture duty at the War College would be to supply present deficiencies in the course of instruction there, resulting from the lack of naval officers available for assignment to service as lecturers. The course at the Naval War College has suffered somewhat of late because of the demand for naval officers for active duty in other branches of the naval service, whereas there are several army officers whose services as lecturers for the purpose which Secretary Long has in view might be availed of. It is said that there is little doubt that Secretary Root will favorably consider the suggestion of Secretary Long.

Edwin G. Spooner died at his residence on Gould street on Saturday, aged 63 years. He had been in feeble health for many years. He was for a long time engaged in conducting a meat and produce market on Broadway and was well known about the city. He leaves a widow, one son, Mr. George H. Spooner, and one daughter, Miss Sarah C. Spooner.

On Tuesday evening next following the business meeting of the Newport Artillery Company there will be a social in the form of a smoker at the armory. Several of the prominent and honorary members have been invited to address the company and an enjoyable evening is promised.

Real Estate Transactions.

Simeon Hazard has sold for Andrew Christensen of this city a cottage and lot on Livingston Place, in Middletown, R. I., to Jose S. de Chavez. This lot is bounded southerly, 185 feet, on land of Susan T. Bacheller; westerly, 50 feet, on said lot of Andrew Christensen; northerly, 135 feet, on land now or formerly of John N. A. Griswold; and easterly, 50 feet, by land of Harriet Sturges.

Simeon Hazard has rented for Abram Almy, his cottage on Whitehall street to William P. Hayman.

Simeon Hazard has rented the cottage at 123 Warner street, for Benjamin Hazard, to Captain L. O. Denn.

Simeon Hazard has rented for Mrs. Benjamin Hazard, the cottage at the corner of Warner street and Spruce street to Benjamin Shepley.

A. O'D. Taylor has rented for Dr. W. H. Cotton his unfurnished house No. 10 Cotton's Court, off Thames street, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Coffey.

A. O'D. Taylor has rented for a term of years, house and store at 81 William street for John A. Layton to Mr. Fred Marchant.

A. O'D. Taylor has sold for Mrs. Agatha M. Almy and others a lot about 5000 feet of land on southern side of Harrison avenue to Mr. Patrick Morgan.

Simeon Hazard has sold for F. P. Garretson and wife their two tenement house and lot on the northerly side of Bay View avenue to William M. Smith. The lot is bounded northerly by land now or formerly of Geo. A. Armstrong, 70 feet; easterly by land of Philip R. Taggart, 85 feet; southerly by Bay View avenue, 70 feet; and westerly by land of late Nehilias Stevens, deceased, 85 feet. Mr. Smith will improve the property at an early day.

DeBlois & Eldridge have rented for Messrs. Louis & Samuel Sachs, the building on the easterly side of Bellevue avenue to Messrs. Brewster & Co., for the coming season.

Foreign Trade.

Great Britain shows slightly ahead in the 1899 race between the United Kingdom and the United States for supremacy in the world's export trade. Domestic exports from the United Kingdom in 1899, according to official reports just received by the Treasury Bureau of Statistics, were \$1,287,971,000, while those from the United States were \$1,253,486,000. Compared, however, with relative conditions for 1875, the record of 1899 must prove gratifying to Americans. In 1875 the exports of domestic merchandise from the United Kingdom were \$1,057,497,000, against \$497,243,737 from the United States. From 1875 to 1899 Great Britain's domestic exports increased 19 per cent., while those from the United States increased 152 per cent. Adding to the domestic exports of each country those brought in from other parts of the world and re-exported, we find that the total exports of the United Kingdom, including "domestic, foreign and colonial," were in 1875 \$1,370,465,000, and in 1899 \$1,440,388,671, an increase of 20 per cent.; and those from the United States, including "domestic and foreign," were in 1875 \$510,947,422, and in 1899 \$1,275,194,611, an increase of 150 per cent.

Turning to the import side of the account the figures are equally interesting. Great Britain's imports in 1875 were \$1,310,779,000 and in 1899 \$2,390,620,000; those of the United States, which in 1875 were \$503,152,936, were in 1899 \$799,831,823. A comparison of the import figures with those of total exports shows an excess of exports from the United States in every year during the last twenty-five years except 1888, and in the case of the United Kingdom an excess of imports in every year during the period. In the case of the United States the excess of exports over imports in 1875 was \$7,701,496, and in 1899 it was \$175,682,921, while in the case of the United Kingdom the excess of imports over exports was in 1875 \$149,311,000 and in 1899 \$759,231,315. During the twenty-five years under consideration the foreign commerce account of the United States shows a total excess of exports over imports amounting to \$3,970,541,000, while that of the United Kingdom shows an excess of imports over exports amounting to \$11,488,001,000.

Mr. A. O'D. Taylor has been confined to his house by illness this week.

Weather Bulletin.

Copyright, 1900, by W. T. Foster. St. Johnston, Mo., Jan. 27.—My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from January 31 to February 1 and the next will reach Pacific coast about 5, cross west of Rockies country by close of 6, great central valleys 7 to 8, eastern states 10.

Warm wave will cross west of Rockies country about 9, great central valleys 7, eastern states 9. Cool wave will cross west of Rockies country about 8, great central valleys 10, eastern states 12.

Temperature of the week ending 8 a. m., February 12, will average above normal in the great central valleys and eastern states and below on Pacific slope. Rainfall will be above normal in the great central valleys and Atlantic states and about on Pacific slope.

About the date of this bulletin a cold wave will occupy the great central valleys, the front part of which will be entering the eastern states. Closely following this will be a high temperature wave, altogether causing sudden changes in temperature that will be hard on animal and vegetable life, particularly unsheltered live-stock and winter wheat.

The distinguishing feature of February will be a great high temperature from about 1 to 24. A few days earlier west of meridian 90 and a few days later. Accompanying this great fall will be much snow in the northern states and much rain in southern.

February temperature will average below normal east of the Mississippi, coldest in the Atlantic states. It will average above normal west of the Mississippi and east of the Rockies. Cold in the Rockies country and on Pacific slope.

Rainfall of February will be above normal along a line from Fort Smith by way of St. Louis, Chicago, Pittsburg and Troy, New York; also in the Platte, Kaw and Arkansas valleys and Southern Florida. Elsewhere below normal.

The most severe cold waves will occur not far from 2 to 4 and 20 to 21. Details will be given later.

I am counting on a large winter wheat crop the coming season but am not advising farmers to sell their wheat at present prices. Of course I have reference to the average crop. Some sections will fall on winter wheat while most parts of winter wheat belt will produce large crops.

I am still counting on a cold, long, hard winter. We have had a taste of it in parts of this and last month. March has the name of being the live stock killer and its reputation will lose nothing by the coming March. This applies to east of Rockies only.

Considering the probability of a prolonged winter I am not advising farmers to sell their corn at present prices.

Marriages.

In this city, 23d inst., by Rev. E. H. Porter, John Solomon Bradford, Jr., to Lottie M. Hildesheim, both of this city.

Deaths.

In this city, 25th inst., James A. Anthon, in his 84th year.

In this city, Jan. 21, Ethel Leona, daughter of Joseph C. W. and Frances Helen Brown, in the 14th year of her age.

In this city, Jan. 24, Edwin R. Spencer, aged 12 years.

In Boston, 24th inst., Susan Stevens, widow of George Burroughs and daughter of the late Philip and F. L. B. Bradford Stevens, formerly of this city.

In Providence, 24th inst., Selena Eddy, widow of Loren Wright, 83, William Clark, 24, 25, Thomas Parker, 62, 23, Thomas Lyons, 62, 24, George Henry, 22.

In Pawtucket, 24th inst., Amy, wife of William H. Mealey, in her 90th year.

In Drownville, 24 inst., Elizabeth Josie, wife of George C. Towser, in her 82nd year.

In Fall River, 24th inst., Thomas Grady, in his 60th year.

In Fall River, 24th inst., Abby Stiles, wife of Oscar E. Burke, aged 70 years.

Washington Matters.

Uncle Sam and the Boers—United States Laws in Porto Rico—Bryan Hedges on the Question of Expansion—Notes.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22, 1900. President McKinley will use his discretion about giving the information asked for by the Allen resolution as to the application of a representative of the Transvaal Republic for recognition by this government, and why recognition was refused, as on motion of Senator Spooner, the resolution was amended to ask to request the President, "if not incompatible with the public interests," to furnish the information.

This resolution has no other object than to embarrass the administration. It is part of the game which has been so successfully played by the authors of the numerous resolutions, asking for all sorts of information concerning the Philippines and deserves no answer. The sudden spasm of sympathy for the Boers is in reality a democratic attempt to change the present friendly relations between the United States and England, for no better reason than for the first time.

At least two Republican Senators seem to have been caught in this game, as Senators Hale and Mason were among the speakers at a public meeting last night, which was advertised as a "Boer demonstration."

The House will devote three days, beginning Tuesday, to a discussion of the Roberts' report and will then proceed to the Roberts, either by declaring his seat vacant, in accordance with the majority report, or by swearing him in and then expelling him, in accordance with the minority report.

The House Elections Committee No. 1 has reported in favor of Hon. W. F. Aldrich, who is contesting the seat held by G. A. Robbins, democrat, from the 4th Alabama district, and there is no doubt of the seating of Mr. Aldrich.

Chairman Payne, of the House Ways and Means Committee, said of his bill providing for an extension of the United States laws to Porto Rico and the establishment of customs and internal revenue collection districts on the island, which is now being considered by that committee: "It is along the line suggested by General Davis, Gov. General of Porto Rico; Gen. Roy Stone, who has had extended experience there; the Porto Rican delegation, now in Washington, and those representatives of American Commercial interests who have spoken on the subject. The bill is not the result of any conference or agreement, but I think it expresses the general view of those who have followed the hearings. The essential point is that the legislation will aid Porto Rico, without in any way injuring American interests."

That Mr. Bryan is beginning to realize that his party has got on the wrong side of the expansion question was shown, while he was in Washington, a day or two ago, by his advising the democratic Senators and Representatives to be very particular in their language when discussing the question publicly, and by his saying in an authorized interview: "I am not opposed to all expansion; each proposed annexation must be settled upon its own merits." It is the old, old democratic story. In every Presidential campaign for years the party has favored, or pretended to favor, any old thing that promised to catch voters, and has not hesitated to favor a thing in one locality and oppose it in another. Before the campaign gets fairly started, democratic speakers and editors are likely to be declaring that they have never opposed expansion at all; that it is only the bourgeoisie who have themselves manufactured and labeled "imperialism" which they opposed. That sort of game isn't likely to fool anybody. There are no imperialists in this country, and are not likely to be.

The Naval Board of Construction has, by a vote of 4 to 1, turned down the recommendation of the naval officers who, after witnessing the trials of the submarine torpedo boat Holland, thought the government ought to buy the boat, which is now at the Washington navy yard. The reason given for the action of the Board was that this class of boat is still in the experimental stage. In fact, the government is still experimenting, as it is having built, by the Columbia Iron Works, of Baltimore, a submarine torpedo boat.

The House adopted an important amendment to the regular Pension Appropriation Bill, before passing it. It authorizes the Commissioner of Pensions to withhold the fee of any attorney when he has knowledge that the attorney has not discharged his full duty to the claimant. It is said to have been the practice of some attorneys to do nothing toward getting a case allowed, after they filed it, trusting to the claimant getting some member of Congress to push it through, knowing that being the attorney of record in the case, they could not be kept out of their fee when it was allowed.

Secretary Wilson was one of the most pleased men in Washington when President McKinley declined to pardon the Philadelphia merchants, who are serving a term in prison for violating the oleomargarine laws, as he had fought the application for a pardon from the first, claiming that to pardon them would encourage violation of those laws which were enacted for the protection of the dairy interests of the country as well as that of the consumers of butter.

State Loses.

By the fire in Providence early in the week, in the building 15 Custom House street, the state is a loser to the extent of \$10,000. The state building is done in the upper story of the building and many of the reports that are to be presented to the coming session of the General Assembly come there to be bound, including the Rhode Island State Manual. They will all have to be printed over again, and it will take many weeks before they are ready for distribution.

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Common Sense Talk with Women

If a person is ill and needs a medicine it is not wise to get one that has stood the test of time and has hundreds of thousands of cures to its credit?

A great many women who are ill try everything they hear of in the way of medicine, and this experimenting with unknown drugs is a constant menace to their already impaired health.

This seems to us very unwise, for there are remedies which are no experiments and have been known years and years to be doing only good.

Take for instance Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; for thirty years its record has been one unbroken chain of success. No medicine for female ills the world has ever known has such a record for cures.

It seems so strange that some people will take medicines about which they really know nothing, some of which might be, and are, really harmful, while on the other hand it is easily proved that over one million women have been restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

We have published in the newspapers of the United States more genuine testimonial letters than have ever been published in the interest of any other medicine.

All this should, and does, produce a spirit of confidence in the hearts of women which is difficult to dislodge, and when they are asked to take something else they say, "No, we want Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which has been tried, and never found wanting, whose reliability is established far beyond the experimental stage."

We have thousands of letters like the following addressed to Mrs. Pinkham, showing that

Monthly Suffering is Always Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, also Backache and Bearing-down pains.

"I suffered untold agony every month and could get no relief until I tried your medicine; your letter of advice and a few bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound have made me the happiest woman alive. I shall bless you as long as I live."—Miss JOSE SAUL, Dover, Mich.

"Four years ago I had almost given up hope of ever being well again. I was afflicted with those dreadful headache spells which would sometimes last three or four days. Also had backache, bearing-down pains, leucorrhoea, dizziness, and terrible pains at monthly periods, confining me to my bed. After reading so many testimonials for your medicine, I concluded to try it. I began to pick up after taking the first bottle, and have continued to gain rapidly, and now feel like a different woman. I can recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in the highest terms to all sick women."—Miss ROSA HEDDEN, 126 W. Cleveland Ave., Canton, O.

Two Letters which Prove that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Will Remove Tumor and Cure Other Female Weakness.

"Two years ago I was a great sufferer from womb trouble and profuse flowing each month, and tumors would form in the womb. I had four tumors in two years. I went through treatment with doctors, but they did me no good, and I thought I would have to resort to morphine.

"The doctor said that all that could help me was to have an operation and have the womb removed, but I had heard of Mrs. Pinkham's medicine and decided to try it, and wrote for her advice, and after taking her Vegetable Compound the tumors were expelled and I began to get stronger right along, and am as well as ever before. Can truly say that I would never had gotten well had it not been for Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound."—MARY A. SCANT, Watertown, Pa.

"After following the directions given in your kind letter for the treatment of leucorrhoea, I can say that I have been entirely cured by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's remedies, and will gladly recommend them to my friends."—A. B. DAYIS, Binghamton, N. Y.

Another Case of Womb, Kidney and Bladder Trouble Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR FRIEND—Two years ago I had child-bed fever and womb trouble, and my worst form. For eight months after birth of babe I was not able to sit up. Doctors treated me, but with no help. I had bearing-down pains, burning in stomach, kidney and bladder trouble, and my back was stiff and sore, the right ovary was badly affected and everything I ate distressed me, and there was a bad discharge.

"I was confined to my bed when I wrote to you for advice and followed your directions faithfully, taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, Liver Pills and using the Wash, and am now able to do the most of my household work. I believe I should have died if it had not been for your Compound. I hope this letter may be the result of benefiting some other suffering woman. I recommend your Compound to every one."—MRS. MARY VARNIX, Triable, Pulaski Co., Ky.

There are hundreds of cases of Nervousness that are caused by a defect of the eyes. The constant strain and effort necessary in seeing distinctly is irritating and confusing. Keeping it up after dark will make the best natured person nervous and fretful. There is too much to contend with. There is either a dull tired feeling in the head, or else there is actual headache, reading, writing, or working seems a burden. If glasses are correctly fitted and adjusted they will take off all the strain and overwork and the eyes will feel cool and refreshed and the dull feeling in the head disappears. Eyes examined free by a Graduate Optician. Prescriptions filled at

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Historical and Genealogical.

Notes and Queries.

In sending matter to this department the following rules must be absolutely observed: 1. Names and dates must be clearly written. 2. The full name and address of the writer must be given. 3. Make all queries brief and consistent with clarity. 4. Write on one side of the paper only. 5. In answering queries always give the date of the paper, the number of the query and the signature. 6. Letters addressed to contributors, or to be forwarded, must be sent in blank stamped envelopes, accompanied by the number of the query and the signature. Direct all communications to: R. H. TILLEY, Newport, R. I.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 1900.

NEW ENGLAND NEWS.

NEWSPAPER CLIPPING, 1750-1890.

Boston, Feb. 18.
The armed snow of 16 Carriage Guns, lately captured by Capt. McNeil in the Atlantic Privateer, is safe arrived at an Eastern Port.

Extract of a Letter from Falmouth, February 9, 1779.

"Thursday last two armed vessels from Rhode Island, one a sloop with 8 carriage guns and 50 men, the other a small tender, with two carriage guns and some swivels, and 30 men, came off Wood's Hole harbour (there were at that time in the harbour two vessels, one belonging to Plymouth, the other to Falmouth) the largest sloop anchored within the harbour, the tender and two boats from the sloop, with a number of men, went into the harbour and took said vessels into their possession, then landed about 20 men, went to the houses and said if a gun was fired at them, or any opposition made, they would burn the houses; they then went to plundering and driving the cattle, and before any force could be collected, they had taken twenty-four horned cattle, and killed 18 more, and carried several on board one of their vessels, with 15 bushels of corn and meal from the mill, and sundry other things of value from the dwelling houses. We had soon intelligence of it, and with all possible speed armed, pursued and attacked them with such force, that obliged them to leave the remainder of the cattle behind them, but took the two prizes and set sail; our people keeping up a brisk fire, obliged them to quit the prizes, and take shelter on board the tender. The engagement lasted two hours. They left three boats, several small arms, and had one man badly wounded. They have since been to the Vineyard, and supplied themselves with boats—they are now in possession and a ship of war has joined them. At a general Court Martial held on board the Continental Frigate Providence, for the Trial of Elisha Hinman, Esq., late Commander of the Continental Frigate Alfred.

The court having duly and maturely considered all the evidence produced before them, as on the part of Thomas Thompson, Esq., the prosecutor, as on the part of Elisha Hinman, Esq., the prisoner, are fully and clearly of opinion that the said Elisha Hinman, Esq., is not guilty of the three several charges preferred against him by Thomas Thompson, Esq., charging him, the said Elisha Hinman, with disobedience of orders, neglect of duty, and unprecedented conduct, on the 9th of March, 1778, when commanding the Continental ship Alfred, and in company with the continental ship Itazigh, then under the command of Thomas Thompson, Esq., from all which charges, and every part of the same, this court do acquit the said Elisha Hinman, with the highest Honor, approving the whole of his conduct on the 9th of March, 1778, he having behaved himself according to the strict Rules of Naval Discipline, and agreeable, in all respects to the 27th Article of the Rules and Regulations of the Continental Navy.

ABRAHAM WHITFIELD, President.
A true copy of the original, WILLIAM STOLY, C. N. R. E. D.
Boston, Feb. 12, 1779.—Connecticut Gazette Feb. 26, 1779.

MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

FROM OLD NEWPORT MERCURYS.

(Continued.)

Vernon, Thomas, Esq., died this A. M., May 1, 1781.

Vose, Phoebe, widow of Captain Ebenezer, died in Middletown, R. I., July 14, 1781.

Violet, Captain John, and Patience Tillinghast, of Nicholas P., married August 20, 1785.

Vaughan, Ebenezer, East Greenwich, R. I., and Susanna Dewey, of Elias, married March 1, 1791.

Vose, Thomas, and Mary Stoddard (Golden), Newport, R. I., married November 7, 1796.

Vose, Robert L., of Edward, Newport, R. I., died at his parlance December 27, 1796, aged 10 years.

Vinson, Mary, Lawton, wife of James, Newport, R. I., died March 7, 1797, aged 25 years.

Vandoshan, Joshua, Bristol, R. I., died April 25, 1797.

Vinton, Daniel, and Mary Atwell, of Colonel Amos, Providence, R. I., married May 23, 1797.

Vaughan, Elizabeth, widow of Daniel, Newport, R. I., died April 8, 1798.

Vinson, Sarah, wife of Deacon Samuel, died January 2, 1799, aged 55 years.

Vose, Joshua, Jr., and Prudence Wilcox, Westerly, R. I., married February 26, 1799.

Vickary, Hugh, and Ann Holt, of William, Newport, R. I., married November 12, 1799.

Wanton, Benjamin, of George, died last Wednesday. Mercury of February 17, 1761.

Wanton, Freeborn, daughter of Joseph G. Wanton, died July 24, 1763, aged 22 years.

Wickham, Mrs. Rebecca, wife of Charles, died last Saturday, aged 60 years. Mercury of May 20, 1771.

Williston, Thomas, Sexton, Old South, Boston, Mass., died March 1, 1773, aged 63 years.

Wyatt, Sarah, wife of Samuel, Middletown, R. I., died February 18, 1773, aged 22 years. Mercury of March 8, 1773.

Wanton, Edward, youngest son of Gov. Gileon, died September 7, 1773, aged 39 years.

Weeden, Joanna, wife of Daniel, Esq., Jamestown, R. I., died September 14, 1773, aged 70 years.

Wanton, Miss Ruth, of Captain William, died November 18, 1773, Newport, R. I., aged 45 years.

West, Joseph, Newport, R. I., died December 25, 1773, aged 30 years.

West, Mary, wife of Tillam, died May 14, 1774, aged 61 years.

Ward, Miss Hannah, of Hon. Samuel, died at Westerly, R. I., last Thursday evening, aged 25 years. Mercury of September 19, 1774.

Wyatt, James, and Betsey Chaloner, of Dr. John, Newport, R. I., married November 7, 1771.

Wallace, James, and Nabby Gardner, youngest daughter of Hon. John, deceased, married November 14, 1774.

Wyatt, Mrs. wife of Edward, Newport, R. I., died December 5, 1774.

Weeden, Abigail, widow of William, Newport, R. I., died December 24, 1774.

Watson, Moses, of Newport, R. I., and Christiana Weeden, of Middletown, married last evening. Mercury of May 1, 1775.

Wyatt, Jonathan, of Lennet, "drowned last Tuesday, from boat capsizing" aged 16 years. Mercury of October 2, 1775.

Wilbur, Ann, daughter of Benjamin Wilbur, Middletown, R. I., died last Friday. Mercury of November 27, 1775.

West, Martha, widow of Joseph, Newport, R. I., died July 19, 1776.

Weeden, Samuel, Newport, R. I., died July 17, 1776, aged 73 years. "Tuan Cider, 15 years."

Wilkinson, Captain Philip, Newport, R. I., died May 11, 1782.

Wanton, Elizabeth, New York, wife of William, Esq., late of Newport, R. I., died September 14, 1782.

Welch, Sarah, wife of Hon. Thomas, died June 25, 1783, aged 60 years.

Ward, Simon, Esq., and Sally Gardner, of Captain George, Newport, R. I., married November 8, 1783.

Weeden, Arnold, and Nancy Gardner, of Captain James, Jamestown, R. I., married November 11, 1783.

Ward, Hannah, of Gov. Wichard, Newport, R. I., died of small pox, December 27, 1783, aged 59 years.

Wheeler, Abigail, wife of Rufus, Newport, R. I., died March 20, 1784.

Weaver, John, Newport, R. I., died at Jacob Greene's, Coventry, April 29, 1784, aged 16 years. Mercury of May 1, 1784.

Webber, John, late of Stratton, South-eastshire, England, died at Newport, May 4, 1784. Buried in Trinity Church Yard. "Aged 41 years."

Wilkinson, Martha, widow of Joseph, Seaboard, R. I., died May 21, 1784, aged 91 years.

Watson, Jeffrey, Esq., South Kings-town, R. I., died May 29, 1784.

Walter, James, and Polly Hennes, Providence, R. I., married June 12, 1784.

Whipple, George, Cumberland, R. I., died June 6, 1784, aged 41 years.

Winslow, Edward, Esq., died at Hallow, N. S., aged 71 years, July 10, 1784. Late of Massachusetts.

Warren, Sarah, wife of Captain Joseph, Newport, R. I., died July 21, 1784.

Wanton, James, Newport, R. I., died August 28, 1784, aged 67 years.

Wheaton, Charles, and Abigail Miller, of Nathan, Esq., Warren, R. I., married October 16, 1784.

Woodward, Ann, wife of William, Newport, R. I., died November 13, 1784.

Wilbur, Job, Newport, R. I., late of Little Compton, died November 13, 1784.

Wheaton, Dr. Levi, and Martha Burrell, of Joseph, Newport, R. I., married January 22, 1785.

Wood, Elizabeth, wife of Captain Peleg, Newport, R. I., died February 5, 1785.

Williams, Captain Ebenezer, Newport, R. I., died February 5, 1785, aged 40 years.

Wanton, Mary, widow of Edward, Tiverton, R. I., died June 10, 1785, aged 91 years.

Wickham, Mary, widow of Hon. Samuel, Newport, R. I., died July 28, 1785, aged 69 years.

Williams, John, and Chadwick, of Thomas, Newport, R. I., married October 1, 1785.

Way, Mary, widow, Newport, R. I., died November 7, 1785.

Weeden, Daniel, Esq., Jamestown, R. I., died December 19, 1785, aged 90 years.

Wanton, Captain Peter, Newport, R. I., died at Africa, April 7, 1786, upwards of 50 years.

Wickham, Mrs., widow of Captain Samuel, died June 19, 1786.

Wood, Captain Peleg, and Polly Wickham, of Benjamin, Esq., Newport, R. I., married August 21, 1786.

Wickes, Dr. Robert, Cranston, R. I., died August 28, 1786, aged 40 years.

Ward, John, and Eliza Bowen, of Dr. Ephraim, Providence, R. I., married January 14, 1793.

West, Captain Nathan, Newport, R. I., died at North Carolina, January 7, 1794.

Walt, Ann, widow of Samuel, Exeter, R. I., died at Cumberland, January 14, 1794.

West, Captain Elisha, New Bedford, Mass., died February 4, 1794.

Wallace, Sally, of Captain James, Newport, R. I., died April 20, 1795, aged 15 years.

Wheaton, Sarah, wife of Caleb, died at Providence, R. I., May 12, 1795.

Watson, Susannah, wife of Elisha, died probably at South Kingstown, R. I., June 16, 1795.

Walker, Charles, died August 25, 1795.

Weaver, Holmes, and Betsey Tew, of Captain Thomas, married September 29, 1795.

To be continued.

QUERIES.

1034. STODDARD—Ruth Stoddard married Samuel Corrick, of George and Rebecca (Hicks) Cornell. Who can give me her parentage? Was she of the Little Compton Stoddards, or of the Anthony Stoddard family of Boston, Mass? Who were the parents of Rebecca Hicks? She was of Tiverton or Little Compton, R. I., and was married March 18, 1738.—C. M.

1035. TANNER—Who was the wife of Francis Tanner, of William, of Westerly, R. I.—O. M. T.

1036. WESTWORTH—Will any one having a genealogy of the Westworth family be kind enough to give me the names and dates of birth of the children Eldes William, who came from England about 1637; of Paul; of Sylvanus; of Samuel. I would also like to know where I can obtain a genealogy of the Westworth family. What is their Coat of Arms?—C. J. C.

1037. STACY. FAIRBANKS—David Fairbanks of Bristol, R. I., married Susannah Stacy, of Newport, (intended) January 6, 1723. Who were the parents of David Stacy?—J. W.

1038. ALMY—Who were John and Hannah Almy of Tiverton, R. I., who had a son Peleg Almy, born January 8, 1781, married October 1785. Hannah Corrick of Philip and Comfort (Hix) Cory, Hannah Almy died October 25, 1765. Any information regarding the ancestry of John Almy, and the maiden name and ancestry of his wife Hannah desired.—C. C.

1039. BARBOCK. POTTER—Daniel Barbock, of Hopkinton, R. I., married April 8, 1784, Content Potter of West-

erly. What was his parentage? Were George Potter and Content Maxon, married September 18, 1751, the parents of Content (Potter) Barbock?—C. C.

1040. MCCONNELL—James McConnell was born in Penobscot, New Hampshire, probably about the time of the Revolutionary War. He married Ruth Cogswell, daughter of Thomas Cogswell, an officer in the Revolution. His father, — McConnell, came from Scotland to New Hampshire, and married there. Can any one tell me his Christian name, and the name and ancestry of his wife—J. C. M.

1041. COGSWELL. BARGER. MOODY. —Who was Ruth Barger who married Thomas Cogswell, a Revolutionary officer? His father was John Cogswell, and his mother was Abiah Moody. Who was she?—J. C. M.

1042. ROGERS—Who was the Jeremiah Rogers who was a member of the First Sabbatharian Church at Hopkinton, R. I., July, 1768? Any information relating to his birth and ancestry gladly received.—E. M. C.

1043. ALBINO—Who was Freeborn Gardner Albino, who was the wife of John Hammond? She was born at Newport, R. I., (2) 1774, and died February 17, 1850. Would like to learn her ancestry.—A. A.

1044. POTTER—Who was Josiah Potter, who in the Census of 1777 of Rhode Island, is given as of Coventry, and 1650, able? Did he serve in the Revolutionary War? Who were his parents, and who was his wife, and who were her ancestors? I should like the dates of his birth, marriage and death, and any other information possible.—C. S.

1045. HUPPY. LAWTON—Thomas Huppy, of Newport, R. I., married — Lawton. What was her Christian name? Who were her parents, and who were his parents? How was he connected with the privateer "Lady Washington" during the Revolutionary War?—S. G.

1046. WAXTON—Who was Elizabeth Waxton, who married Nathaniel Carey in 1789? She was probably of Newport, R. I. Any information relating to her ancestry desired.—G. C.

1047. BURNS—Can any one tell me the parentage of Walter Burns, a privateer from Newport, in the Revolutionary War?—C. M.

1047-2. SINKINS—Captain George Sinkins was sailing master on sloop "Providence," in the Revolution. His daughter Eliza married Arnold Sinkins. What was his ancestry? Who was George Sinkins' wife, and who were his parents? He was of Newport, R. I.—C. M.

1048. YACHT VESPA—Can any one tell me, of his own personal knowledge, in what month the yacht "Vespa" was wrecked in Newport harbor?—B.

ANSWERS.

532. GARDINER—Samuel was the eighth child of George Gardiner, and the first child of George (Gardiner) and Lydia Ballou (2d wife) not Herodias (Long) Hicks Gardiner, the first wife, as published in the above answer.—M. L. L.

742. SMALL—Thomas Olney (born 1690, died 1682), married Mary Small, born 1695, died 1679. Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island, page 362. Austin, "Registers of St. Albans Abbey, Hertfordshire, England. Thomas Olney married Mary Ashton, 16th September, 1629, and further gives the baptisms of his children as follows: Thomas, 6th January, 1631-2; Ephraim, 14th Feb., 1634-1 (by wife Marie). Herts Genealogist and Antiquary, Vol. II, page 377. William Briggs, B. A.—M. L. L.

818. DYER—Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island, by Austin, page 290, gives William, London, England, Charles, Charles and Thomas. This may be the Thomas who settled in Windham, Conn., 1615 (about). Also, consult "Weymouth Historical Society No. 2," for a long list of Dyers. See index.—M. L. L.

975. TURNER—For Turner data I would refer you to Alfred R. Turner, Esq., Malden, Mass., who is preparing a Turner genealogy. W. J. L.

976. CULVER—Moses Culver was son of Joseph Culver and Mary Stark, instead of Stark.—J. M. H.

980. RING—Mary Ring married John Morton. "The Morton line leads back to the early colonies to the George Morton who came out in the 'Ann,' and so established himself and descendants as to make it a line eagerly sought for." (From "Signers of the Mayflower Compact," Reprinted from the Mail and Express, New York).—S. T.

1011. PECKHAM. HOVEY—In the Friends records you will find Enoch Peckham, of Middletown, R. I., and Ann Hovey, of Newport, married November 8, 1759.—B. J. P.

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